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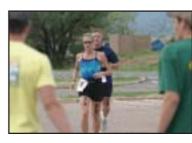
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Secretary of Defense to troops: Why we fight in Iraq

DONALD H. RUMSFELD

SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

More than 15 months ago, a global coalition ended the brutal regime of Saddam Hussein and liberated the people of Iraq.

As in all conflicts, this has come at a cost in lives. Some of your comrades made the ultimate sacrifice. For your sacrifices, our country and the President are deeply grateful. In a free, democratic country we have vigorous debates over important public policy issues - none more heated than a decision to go to war. But this should not distract us from the mission at hand or lessen the magnitude of your accomplishments.

The threat we face must be confronted. And you are doing so exceedingly well. Indeed it has been an historic demonstration of skill and military power.

On September 11, 3,000 citizens were killed by extremist determined to frighten and intimidate our people and civilized societies. The future danger is that if the extremists gain the potential, the number of casualties would be far higher. Terrorists are continuing to plot attacks against the American people and against other civilized societies. This is a different kind of enemy and a different kind of world. And we must think and act differently in this new century.

These extremists think nothing of cutting off innocent people's heads to try to intimidate great nations. They have murdered citizens from many countries - South Korea, Japan, Spain, the United Kingdom and others - hoping to strike fear in the hearts of free people.

Theirs is an ideology of oppression and subjugation of women. They seek to create radical systems that impose their views on others and they will accept no armistice with those who choose free systems. They see the governments of the Middle East, the United States and our stalwart allies all as

Consider the background. In the span of 20 years, Hussein's Iraq invaded two neighbors, Iran and Kuwait, and launched ballistic missiles at two more. He employed poison gas against soldiers in Iran and against Kurdish villagers in his own coun-

The United Nations and the U.S. Congress shared the view that Saddam's regime was a threat to the region and the world. Indeed, in 1998, our Congress passed a resolution calling for the removal of the regime. And over the years the U.N. passed 17 resolutions condemning Saddam's regime and calling on him to tell the UN about his weapons programs. He ignored every one.

Information gathered since the defeat of Saddam's regime last year confirms that his last declaration to

should Saddam not comply. He did not. The new start. President issued a final ultimatum to Saddam to relinquish power to avoid war. mate victory against the forces of terror and Saddam chose war instead.

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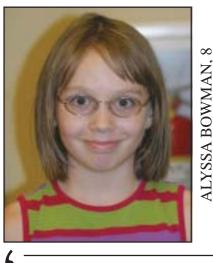
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ture, rebuild schools, encourage democratic the United Nations about his weapons pro- institutions and delivering educational and had called for "serious consequences" true character and given Iraq a chance at a

But most importantly, your fight and ultiextremism in Iraq and the Middle East will By your skill and courage, you have put a have made America safer and more secure.

Scout on the Street

What is your favorite part of going back to school?



School supplies and new books.



School supplies and teachers.



The teachers and lunch.



Teachers and the new people that you meet.

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Army Chief of Staff awards Thunderbirds

Signal Soldiers recognized for innovative deployment initiatives

11TH SIGNAL BRIGADE PUBLIC AFFAIRS

Twenty-three units were recognized June 22 in Washington D.C., for their innovative deployment initiatives in the global war on terrorism.

Among the units recognized was the 11th Signal Brigade "Thunderbirds," the Fort Huachuca unit that established, maintained and oversaw the theater-wide communications network in Operation Iraqi Freedom.

The Thunderbirds were awarded the second-place award for Large Active-Duty Units in the Deployment category. The top award went to 53rd Movement Control Battalion, Fort McPherson, Ga., a transportation unit.

"This is not an amateur sport,"

said Lt. Gen. Claude Christianson, chief of the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Logistics, G4. "Deploying requires an amazing amount of competence and coordination to move units by road, rail, sea and air."

In its fourth year, the awards program looked at units that deployed or those who supported deploying units from Dec. 1, 2002 to Feb. 10. Within that two-year period the Army redeployed more than 111,500 Soldiers back to their home stations from war fighting missions.

Christianson said that deployment excellence is measured in a variety of ways including training, preparation, organization and innovation.

"It entails prior preparation to any deployment. It takes into account how prepared you are if you're told to go today," said Don Nelson, 11th Sig. Bde. transportation officer. "Then they gauge you on what went on through the actual deployment, to include how many trucks you had to move and where."

Nelson, a retired Army officer and now D.A. civilian, deployed alongside the Thunderbirds, spending Operation Iraqi Freedom with the troops he was supporting. He also traveled to Washington D.C., with Col. Brian R. Hurley, 11th Sig. Bde. commander and Sgt. 1st Class Kenneth Walker, brigade transportation noncommissioned officer in charge, to accept the award. He attributes the brigade's success to prior planning at all levels of the brigade.

"This is not just a transportation thing. It's a completely brigade-wide effort," said Nelson. "Everyone within the brigade busted their butts to make this happen. For a signal brigade to get runner-up in a deployment excellence award – second to a transportation unit – is huge."

As commander, Hurley sees the

award as recognition for the entire Thunderbird team, as well as for the combined effort at all levels of the brigade in preparation for their mission.

"This award is testimony of the hard work and professional excellence of all of our Soldiers and civilians in the Thunderbird Brigade," Hurley said. "It validates the Herculean effort it took to deploy this brigade to combat and clearly recognizes our ability to project power any where in the world."

The brigade moved more than 1,700 pieces of equipment and more than 2,500 Soldiers to Kuwait and Iraq, including signal battalions and companies from other installations that were attached to the 11th Sig. Bde. Approximately 1,500 Soldiers deployed with the Thunderbird patch on their left shoulders.

"The only reason this award was given to us – and the reason we met every mission thrown our way – is because of those 1,500 Soldiers," Nelson said.

"I'm extremely proud of this brigade and all of our Soldiers," Hurley said.

Winners in the Deployment (Active Duty) category were:

Active Large Unit

First Place: 53rd Movement Control Battalion, Fort McPherson, Ga.

Runner-up: 11th Signal Brigade, Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

Active Small Unit

First Place: Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 7th Transportation Group, Fort Eustis, Va.

Runner-up: 469th Transportation Detachment, 24th Transportation Battalion, Fort Eustis, Va.

Active Support Unit

First Place: 842nd Transportation Battalion, Beaumont, Texas

Runner-up: 831st Transportation Battalion, Port of Salalah,

Supporting Installation

First Place: Fort Stewart, Ga. Runner-up: Fort Bliss, Texas.

Environmental assessment for development available

BY TANJA LINTON

MEDIA RELATIONS OFFICER

An environmental assessment for the Wilcox Gate Area Development Plan, Fort Huachuca, Ariz., was completed in May.

It was prepared to support the decisionmaking process of the U.S. Army Garrison on the implementation of the proposed Wilcox Gate Area Development Plan to provide for updated Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities that would be accessible during periods of heightened force protection

The EA was prepared in compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act and Army Regulation 200-2, Environmental Effects of Army Actions (32 CFR 651, March 2002).

Under the Proposed Action, the Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation would enter into public private partnerships, or otherwise gain funding for up to two new buildings and a special events park in the area between Buffalo Soldier Trail and the Mountain View Golf Course to be accessible by the Wilcox Road extension onto Fort Huachuca.

The new facilities would upgrade the existing MVGC facilities and provide a multipurpose center (community club/welcome/catering center and golf pro shop/

theme restaurant), and a family entertainment center that would provide improved facilities for bowling and dancing. No new personnel are anticipated to move to Sierra Vista as a result of this proposed action.

Other analyzed alternatives consist of a series of optional additions to the proposed action, and the no action (status quo) alternative. The optional items analyzed include implementing one or more of the following items: a new high school that would increase activity in this area during the school year and require approximately 20 to 30 acres; a hotel/lodging facility that would provide lodging for conference attendees, and/or a concert venue to replace Libby Army Airfield as the site for outdoor concerts.

If more than one option is implemented, they may be implemented at different times. At least two of the options may require a supplemental EA with additional analysis and public comment prior to implementation.

Under the no action alternative, the DMWR facilities would remain at their current locations throughout the installation. No new facilities or upgrades to existing facilities would occur.

The EA documents that no significant,

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Horses get new home

B-Troop mounts moved to historic stable

BY SPC. JOY PARIANTE

SCOUT STAFF

The horses that people across post have gotten to know and love



Photo by Elizabeth Harlan

The dedication ceremony for the new B-Troop stables will be Tuesday at 1 p.m.

are moving. But, don't worry, they're just making themselves a new home right down the road from Brown Parade Field in the historic mule barns which will be much better suited to

B-Troop's historic preservation mission.

"B-Troop is moving to better accomplish its mission of promoting the history and heritage of the U.S. Cavalry at Fort Huachuca," said Chris Zimmerman, B-Troop program coordinator.

The barns, once restored, will provide a better picture of cavalry life in the 1880s, he said.

The barns were constructed in 1916 and were used by the Army cavalry until 1942. They may have been used to support combat operations in Mexico during the Punitive Expedition against Poncho Via, Zimmerman said.

Since 1942, the barns have been used as warehouses.

Former Garrison Commander, Col. Lawrence J.

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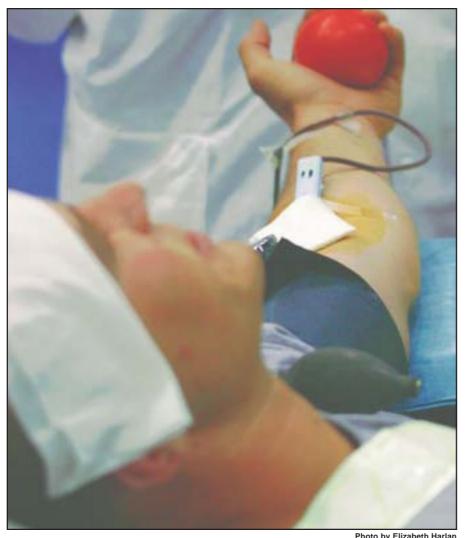


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Generous donation

Pvt. Julian Sanchez, Company D, 309th Military Intelligence Battalion, dontated blood at the July 22 drive at Eifler Gym. Blood drives are held regularly on post. Drives are listed on Page 12 in the Community Briefs of the Scout.

Education center Computers aide learning

BY JOAN KRAAK

COMPUTER SPECIALIST EDUCATION SERVICES

Are you taking courses on SmartForce/ SkillSoft Website or a correspondence course through the Army Correspondence Course Program Web site? Did you just want to look up your next duty station's Web site? Are you aware that the Army Education Center has computers for you

There are 15 computers at the AEC with Internet access available for military, civilians, contractors, dependents and retirees to use. The computers are available for use in Building 52104 (across from Barnes Field House), from 7:15 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday; from 7:15 a.m.to noon, Friday and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturday.

All of the systems have Office XP (this includes Word, Excel, PowerPoint and Access), Adobe Acrobat Reader, Internet Explorer, Army Correspondence Course Program Catalog, Functional Academic Skills Training course curriculum and DANTES Distance Learning Catalog. Five systems have Form Flow.

The rules for using the computers

• Priority is given to customers using these systems for education and training purposes; all other customer use is on a "space available" basis.

- No viewing pornographic materials or sending, posting or displaying images or graphics that contain offensive, abusive, slanderous, vulgar, and/or defamatory messages, text or graphics.
- No commercial e-mail. This includes Yahoo, AOL, Hotmail, Earthlink, etc. You can check your AKO e-mail account.
- · All diskettes, CD-ROMs and USB drives must be scanned for viruses before using them on the computers.
- No loading/downloading software onto the system's hard drive.
- No changing of the computer's setup or programs.
 - Bring your own paper and diskettes.
- · Games and gambling are not allowed on these computers.
- Notify the lab manager or computer specialist if you are experiencing any problems with the system.

Any violation of these rules will result in revocation of privileges; your commander may also be notified. Use of these government computer systems constitutes consent to telecommunications security monitoring.

Upon reading the rules, you will sign in on the computer usage sign in book. Your signature implies that you have read and agree to follow these rules. A staff member will check your identification card and assign you to a specific workstation.

For more information, call 533-1019.

Outstanding volunteers recognized

BY SPC. SUSAN REDWINE SCOUT STAFF

Civilians and Soldiers were recognized for their outstanding volunteer service July 21 in an informal ceremony at Murr Community Center. The Quarterly Volunteer Recognition Ceremony highlighted the time and effort folks put in to make Fort Huachuca a better place.

"We're proud to recognize a lot of great people today," said Dan Valle, director, Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation

Huachuca simply would not get done if we didn't have these people."

At the ceremony, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 111th Military Intelligence Brigade and Company C, 304th Mili-

on post. "Some things on Fort tary Intelligence Battalion were sports coach. cited as the Military Volunteer Units, permanent party and student units, respectively.

> Staff Sgt. Verlin Garrett, Company E, 305th MI Bn. said he spent many hours volunteering with kids in and around Sierra Vista as a

"It feels good that someone recognizes you for something that's fun," he said. "I'm just a

"It [volunteering]makes you feel good. If you can do it, do it," he said.

Quarterly volunteers

Paul Angelo Susie Arevalos Danyel Bernal Ronald Boyd Carolyn Buchanan Shelle Buckley Debbi Cunningham David Dueltgen Gloria Dueltgen Keith Friar Mark Guevara Jay Hizer

Robert Hooper Connie Jones Kathleen Jones Kimberly Jones Debbie Laszok James Lieuallen Linda Moseley Shigeko Moss Julia Prather Jantana Proctor Fred Reamer Joyce Redmond

Cathy Ruder Herbert Sampson Joanie Simon Michelle Simpson Denise Snow Jen St. Peter Thomas Whipp Stan Williamson Georgi Willis

Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal: Tech. Sgt. Thomas Hakes

Sgt. Wendy Justice Sgt. 1st Class James Oliver Sgt. 1st Class Louis Edwards Staff Sgt. Verlin Garrett 1st Sgt. Russel Carey 1st Lt. Sean Cronin Spc. Danny Gonzalez Capt. Salah Kayed Pfc. Willie Menton Spc. Daniel Pena Spc. Westen Stewart

Chief Warrant Officer Gary Bertsch

Youths learn teamwork, confidence on post

BY SPC. JOY PARIANTE

SCOUT STAFF

Cadre from Headquarters, Headquarters Company, 111th Military Intelligence Brigade gave local children a hand, literally, at the Leadership Reaction Course on post Monday.

The children were from a summer program with Cochise County Juvenile Probation Services. The summer program is for youths in the system who are doing the best in their rehabilitation program, said Luis Morales, a probation officer and the coordina-

tor for the LRC event.

The group was composed of males and females, between 13 and 17 years old.

The LRC is an obstacle course

that requires quick, creative thinking and teamwork to get from one side of the water-filled area to the other. Teammates have limited physical resources, but the goal is to foster the use of their maximum mental resources.

The LRC event came about when Morales, a retired servicemember, thought it would be a good team

building experience for the youths. The post had helped with other probation services events, so Morales put the word out on post and the 111th picked up the chance to work with the children.

Events with the military help introduce the youths, some of whom are interested in future military service, to what the Army's all about, Morales said. It also helps boost their self esteem and learn teamwork, he said.

"The goal is to rehabilitate the children so they can go back into the community and be productive," Morales said.

Probation services is also trying to ensure that these children don't end up moving into the adult judicial system.

Fort Huachuca has helped probation services meet their goals by providing entertainment passes to movies and theme parks and helping with the probation services annual mini-Olympics, Morales said.

"Fort Huachuca is a big part of the community," Morales said. "We like to keep them [youths] involved in the community."

This is also a chance for Soldiers to give back to the community by giving youth the chance to see what the Army does, said Staff Sgt. Robert Seitz, taskings noncommissioned officer, 111th MI Bde.

"It's an opportunity for the children of the community to work on their rehabilitation while enjoying this military installation," said Sgt. Joshua Harrell, 111th MI Bde.



Photo by Spc. Joy Pariante

Cadre from the 111th Military Intelligence Brigade, such as Staff Sgt. Melanie Murdoch, assisted kids from the Cochise County Juvenile Probation office through the Leadership Reaction Course.

Homeless Former servicemembers can become lost; help available for those in need

BY AMANDA BAILLIE

SCOUT STAFF

aving a home is something we all take for granted and yet thousands of ex-service men and women are living daily without a roof over their heads.

Instead, they are sleeping on the streets or in shelters and relying on hand outs, or the leftovers in a trash can, to stay alive.

According to the Veterans' Administration, as many as 250,000 veterans across America are homeless.

In fact, the number of homeless Vietnam era veterans is currently greater than the number of service personnel who died during that war.

But with a number of programs offering help to Soldiers, sailors, Marines and airmen before they leave the Armed Forces, why do many veterans still end up on the streets?

"There isn't just one reason, it's really individualized," said Steve Cohen, clinical director of Rehabilita-

tion Programs, Southern Arizona VA Health Care. "Many of them have mental illnesses or abuse substances, while others, for whatever reason, find themselves estranged from their families, or they have a big mistrust of people when they leave the services."

Cohen and his team, based in Tucson, are dedicated to helping as many homeless veterans as possible get back on their feet. Their ultimate goal is to eradicate homelessness completely.

"We run an outreach program where we go out to homeless camps and places like soup kitchens to find homeless veterans, or they can come to us for help," Cohen said.

Many homeless veterans are in their late 40s or early 50s and it is usually medical problems which prompt them to seek help, often very reluctantly according to Cohen.

When they do walk through the doors of the VA there is much to offer, including a clinical assessment and referral to medical treatment, long-term sheltered transitional assistance, case

management and rehabilitation, employment and income support advice and supported permanent housing.

But there are also an increasing number of programs available to service men and women, long before they leave the Armed Forces.

The Army Career and Alumni Program has been developed to provide a comprehensive system to assist personnel and their families leaving the Army.

Anyone retiring can approach ACAP up to two years before they are due to leave and those ending their enlistment, one year.

"Soldiers in these positions need to start thinking about jobs, benefits they may be entitled to, college courses, where they are going to live and how much money they will need," said Debbie Casper, ACAP's contract installation manager, Fort Huachuca. "All of these things can be looked into from here"

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MPs make house calls

BY SGT. KRISTI T. JAEGER

SCOUT STAFF

When a military policeman is spotted on post, people tend to make sure they are in accordance with the law. They check their speed, make sure the seat belt is buckled, use turn signals and come to a complete stop at stop

In the case of the Fort Huachuca special reaction team, speed is on SRT's side, not those who see them.

The SRT has the mission of no-notice response to incidents such as hostage situations, snipers, barricaded subjects, drug raids, apprehension of dangerous criminals, felony warrant service and counter-terrorism op-

erations on Fort Huachuca.

"The primary goal of the SRT is to preserve human life and restore normal activity on the installation," said a member of the team. During hostilities, SRTs may be required to perform similar missions in a combat environ-

"Every Army post is required to have an SRT," said a Soldier on the team. Most posts have teams comprised of civilians and outside law enforcement, while Fort Huachuca has one of the last SRTs composed of military personnel, he said.

The SRT consists of two teams; the marksman team and the entry clear team, or "glory with the shield," as one member referred to it.

The team trains all over post and in every environment. Simunition, ammunition that leaves paint like residue, is used to see where team members have been hit, for a more realistic training situation.

The Army allots the team a couple of days a month to train, said one Soldier. Members of the team train on their time off as well, he said. "The training we receive is the best training in the world."

"We train to be proficient in our job," said one member of the team. "If anything happens in Sierra Vista, they call

The SRT spent July 22 training with U.S. Customs and the Douglas Police Department's



Fort Huachuca's Special Reaction Team concentrated on building clearing during the training conducted on July 22 with U.S. Customs and the Douglas Police Department's Special Response Team.

special response team. It was the first time the Douglas police and the MPs cross-trained.

"We do a lot of things different in our world," said Sgt. Hugo Valenzuela, Douglas Police Department, who is looking forward to training with the MPs again in the future, he said.

"We concentrated on building clearing training using different scenarios," said one of the Soldiers. The teams trained on hostage situations as well as barricade situations. This training built up to joint clearing with both teams participating.

The SRT is composed of vol-

unteers who have made it through tryouts and attend a two-week training course

"The Soldiers on the team have attended the United States Army SRT School (Phase I and II), rappel master, air assault, combat lifesaver and the emergency medical technician course," said a member of the team. The team

trains with local, state and federal SWAT teams.

Tryouts consist of a physical training test, which the Soldier must score and maintain a 270 in accordance with the male age 18-21 standards; a seven and a half mile run wearing a 44-pound flack vest; qualify expert the M-4 rifle and M-9 pistol and be proficient with a 12gauge shotgun, M-24 and M-21 marksman rifles.

"It's not flat or downhill," said a new member of the team, refer-

ring to the seven and a half mile run conducted during tryouts.

The candidates also attend oral boards where they are asked questions on levels of force, shoot/no shoot situations as well as various scenarios.

After successful completion of the tryouts, the Soldier is put on a 90-day probation period and must attend a two-week school.

The first week of instruction is on the basics of building clearing and close-quarters battle. The second week concentrates on training marksman observers using 100- to 200 - meter open site and scope site targets.

"There is an 80 percent failure rate during the marksman observers training," said an SRT member. If one of five shots is missed, you pack your bags and go home, he said.

Those who complete the training to standard will become a member of the SRT.

"We're not life takers, we're lifesavers," an SRT member said.

Members remain on the team throughout their tour at Fort Huachuca as long as they continue to meet the standards. However, one of the hardest parts of being on the team is keeping a low profile, one member said.

"It's by far the best job in the Army," said one SRT member. "I like being the one turned to when things go wrong. I like being the last resort."



Members of the Special Reation Team, such as marksmen, must qualify expert on the M-4 rifle and M-9 pistol and be proficient with a 12-gauge shotgun, M-24 and M-21 marksman rifles.

Enlisted Selection Board System automated

ARMY NEWS SERVICE

The Army Human Resources Command conducted its first fully automated enlisted selection board and electronic board file validation last month.

The sergeant major board, which was held June 3-19 in Indianapolis, Ind. was the first complete board conducted using Enlisted Selection Board System.

The board also selected command sergeants major and Soldiers to attend the sergeants major course.

The system worked great and the board members liked using the electronic files, according to Sgt. Maj. Deborah L. Seimer of the Enlisted Records Evaluation Center.

The ESBS eliminates the need for hardcopy promotion board files on Soldiers, she said. It also presents the individual board file, official military personnel file, photo, Enlisted Record Brief, and memorandum to the board president (if submitted) to the voting members as an electronic file.

Seimer said NCOs who are eligible for a board can review their electronic board file by visiting the EREC Web site at https://

/www.hrc.army.mil, clicking on HRC Indianapolis (EREC) and then selecting "Promotion File."

During the transition from paper to the electronic file, Soldiers were still required to report to their personnel office to submit a hardcopy ERB as a backup. Seimer said now that the electronic file proved successful in the June boards, the backup will no longer be necessary.

This will take effect beginning with the master sergeant board, which convenes Sept. 8, and continue with the sergeant first class board on Nov. 10.

Soldiers should be able to view and validate their file 24/7 on the EREC Web site from any computer with Internet access, Seimer said.

Within the promotion file there are several tabs to access the OMPF, Photo, ERB and Statements.

Seimer said NCOs eligible for a board should check the OMPF for missing or incorrect documents, review the photo to ensure it is current and represents their present appearance and screen the ERB to ensure the data is correct. The statements are for NCOs eligible to be considered for command sergeant major (an acceptance or declination statement) and

Soldiers who desire to decline consideration for promotion to sergeant major or attendance at the sergeant major course.

Memorandums written by Soldiers to the board president are the only documents that will be scanned into the electronic board file presented to board members.

Seimer emphasized that Soldiers should write to the board president only when there

are facts missing from their record.

They should not write the board president about their opinions and they should not wait till the last minute to update their records.

In using the automated ESBS, the Army will benefit by huge savings in time, money and availability of Soldiers, Seimer

Photo illustration by Elizabeth Harlan

The automated Enlisted Promotion Board System presents the individual board file, official military personnel file, photo, Enlisted Record Brief, and memorandum to the board president and to the voting members as an electronic file.

said.

"The Soldier no longer has to depart his unit to go to a personnel office unless changes are required on the ERB and the personnel office no longer has to see each individual Soldier, make copies of the ERB, have them signed and then mail them," Seimer said. "When you think about some boards having

30,000-35,000 Soldiers in the zone of consideration, it drives home the number of man-hours and money saved by automating the process."

This automated system was built to ensure Soldiers have the ability to take charge of their career no matter where they are in the world, Seimer said.

Overcome your dental woes with knowledge

DELTA DENTAL RELEASE

More than 20 million Americans suffer anxiety about visiting the dentist, so much so that some avoid dental checkups altogether.

"Regular visits to the dentist are critical to your oral health, and avoiding them can lead to bigger oral health problems later on," said Scott Navarro, D.D.S., national oral health advisor for Delta Dental Plans Association. "The good news is that today, no one needs to fear the dentist. Modern procedures make most dental work virtually painless. Moreover, there are a variety of techniques that can be used to relax fearful patients during dental visits."

Fear of dental visits is usually caused by such factors as embarrassment about one's current dental condition, particularly if it's caused by neglect; a sense of lost control, especially for those who feel they can't communicate with their dentists during particular procedures; or a general fear of the unknown.

Most fears can be overcome simply by finding the right dentist for you and practicing techniques to help relieve your anxiety. Delta Dental recommends the following methods for relaxing your nerves at the dentist:

• Gain control. Eliminating the unknown is a big step in helping overcome fears. Learn as much as you can about the procedure you're having done, and take an active part in decisions about your treatment. Ask your dentist to explain the procedure to you ahead of time and feel free to ask questions

• Communicate with your dentist. Don't be embarrassed if you're nervous about a particular procedure. Communicate these

a particular procedure. Communicate these fears to your dentist so he or she will have a better understanding of how to treat you during the procedure.

• Develop a signal with your dentist.



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Knowing you can stop a procedure at any time will go a long way toward alleviating your fears in the dental chair. Let your dentist know that you'll raise your hand or signal in some other way if you need a short break during a procedure.

• Find a distraction. Many dentists now provide television, headsets with music or virtual- reality-type glasses that can help distract you during a procedure and block out the sound of dental instruments, which can trigger anxiety.

• Discuss pain control with your dentist. Modern dentistry offers a variety of effective pain control medications. Review your options with your dentist to learn which one is right for you and your particular procedure.

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Wednesday – AD, AF, AI, AL, AM For more information, call 533-7095.

Sing like Toby?

The Fort Huachuca Public Affairs Office is looking for a Soldier to sing Toby Keith's American Soldier for Maj. Gen. Barbara Fast's assumption of command ceremony planned for later this summer. To schedule a voice audition/recording, call Angela Moncur, command information officer, at 533-1985 or Ken Robinson, public affairs specialist, at 533-1283.

Family readiness training

Family Readiness Group training will be conducted 1:30 - 3 p.m., today at Army Community Service (Building 50010).

The training will cover the basics of running an FRG and the recruitment of volunteers, and provide ideas on how to enhance FRG participation.

Registration is required. Call ACS at 533-2330 or e-mail_pamela.j.allen@us.army.mil for enrollment.

Installation retirement ceremony

The next installation retirement ceremony is scheduled for 7 a.m., Friday on Chaffee Parade Field.

The following people will stand in the ceremony: Maj. Nancy Makowski, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Network Enterprise Technology Command; Master Sgt. Edward Carr, HHC, 11th Signal; Sgt. 1st Class Troy Kiser, HHC, 86th Sig Battalion; Sgt. 1st Class John Buensalido, 319th Military Intelligence Bn, 525th MI Brigade; Sgt. 1st Class Victor Kenny, 305th MI Bn; Sgt. 1st Class Raymond Weldon, 309th MI Bn and Staff Sgt. Steven Anderson, 305th MI Bn.

October's installation retirement ceremony will be at 4 p.m. Oct. 15 on Brown Parade Field.

Warehouse closed Friday

The Intelligence Electronic Warfare Maintenance product control and warehouse sections

will be closed after 11:30 a.m. on Friday and will reopen on Monday.

RWBAHC closed Friday

The Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center and both pharmacies will close at noon, Friday for its Organizational Day. The last appointment will be at 11:30 a.m.

High school hosts town hall

Buena High School will host a town hall meeting 5:30 p.m., Aug. 4 at Fitch Auditorium (inside Alvarado Hall off Hatfield Street), Fort Huachuca. The town hall is designed to give new and returning parents and students up-to-date information directly from Tad Bloss, principal, and Mark Boggie, lead counselor, who will address myths and zero in on facts. The forum will solicit feedback and record questions/answers and actions to be taken if any. Army Family Action Plan issues will also be discussed.

Calling Screamin' Eagles

The 101st Airborne Division Association National Convention will be held Aug. 4-8 in Hampton, Va., at the Hampton Holiday Inn and Convention Center.

This is the 59th annual reunion and will feature various activities around the Hampton Roads/Tidewater area. All members of the Division Association, both past and present, and their families are invited to attend.

For more information, call Jim Shamblen at (757)838-5654, fax (757)727-4070 or e-mail slick77@cox.net.

BSEP class begins

The Education Center will sponsor a Basic Skills Education Program class Aug. 4-20 to raise the General Technical score. For more information, call Bob Campbell at 533-5690 or e-mail robert.campbell@hua.army.mil.

DeVry University

A representative of DeVry University will be at the education center 1-4 p.m. Aug. 10-11 to answer questions about the undergraduate coursework available for active duty military and their spouses.

For more information, call Mike Boggs, assistant director of admissions at (888)299-8235.

Main gate construction in August

Due to on-going construction of the new Army and

Air Force Exchange shoppette at the main gate, there will be a traffic restriction starting at 6 a.m. on Aug. 11, through 5 p.m., Aug. 12. The road in front of the new shoppette will be striped to allow for the creation of a left turn lane. The speed limit in this area will be reduced to 15 mph during this operation. For safety and to limit personal inconvenience, post officials recommend that employees and post visitors use the East Gate to enter and exit the fort.

Preschool screening

The Fort Huachuca Accommodation School District will be conducting a preschool screening Aug. 12 and Aug. 19 for all 3-, 4-, and non-kindergarten 5-year-olds residing on Fort Huachuca.

The screening instruments the schools intend to use are designed to survey gross-and-fine-motor skills, communication skills, cognitive development and socio-emotional development. In addition, they will be testing hearing and vision.

Through the screening process, the schools hope to identify those children in need of any type of early childhood special education services. If you suspect a disability in your preschool age child, call the FHAS district office at 459-8399 or 458-5082 by Aug. 11.

Wayland Baptist University

Wayland Baptist University has begun fall class registration at the Rascon Learning Center and at the downtown campus at 1840 Paseo San Luis. Registration continues through Aug. 13, with classes beginning the week of Aug.16. WBU provides daytime, evening and online classes. Wayland offers degrees in Business, Management, Communication Systems Technology, Management, Intelligence Operations, Criminal Justice, and many others.

For more information or a free evaluation, call 459-

FHCSC annual membership drive

The Fort Huachuca Community Spouses Club will hold its annual membership drive 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Aug. 18 at Murr Community Center. There is no charge to attend. Current members, as well as anyone interested in the activities of the FHCSC, are encouraged to attend.

Local businesses, crafters and community representatives will have individual booths. Information will be distributed and products may be purchased at the event.

For more information, call 378-3475.

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unmitigated impacts associated with the proposed action are anticipated. Only minor or mitigated adverse impacts to visual resources, noise, soils, water resources, cultural resources, and human health and safety would occur as a result of implementing the proposed action.

The high school and hotel/lodging options could impact the view shed depending on the final location and configuration of these facilities. The impacts from the special events venue and the concert band shell alternative would require noise measurements and modeling to better characterize the potential impacts, and to evaluate potential mitiga-

tions for amplified outdoor concerts.

The proposed action has the potential to slightly increase consumptive water use at the Fort, impacting water resources. The potential increase will be zero-balanced by the DWMR as part of the project by implementing water conservation measures at other MWR facilities on post, or contributing to other water conservation projects through the Fort Huachuca Environmental and Natural Resources Division.

The cultural resources survey identified remnants of an old airfield underlying an existing road, a portion of the current golf course, and a portion of the project area for the proposed action. Based on the limited remains of the airfield and the high level of

disturbance, the proposed action does not represent a significant impact on the Fort's cultural resources inventory.

The no action alternative would lead to increasing water use and potentially to decreasing revenues for MWR. No other major environmental issues would be associated with the no action alternative.

Based on the findings of the EA, a draft Finding of No Significant Impact is included in the packet for public review. The draft FNSI states that it is the conclusion of the analysis that implementation of the proposed action would not constitute a major federal action with significant impact on the human environment.

The Army invites interested or affected

parties to review and comment on the FNSI within 30 days of publication by writing to, Commander, U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: ATZS-ISB (Kent), Fort Huachuca, AZ 85613-7010 or fax to 533-3043. The EA is available for review at the Sierra Vista City Library on Tacoma Street, or at the Main Library on post. To obtain a copy of the EA, call 533-3120 and leave a name and address, or write to: U.S. Army Garrison, ATTN: ATZS-ISB (Wilcox Gate NEPA), Fort Huachuca, Arizona 85613-7010.

A copy of the EA is available on line at: http://huachuca-www.army.mil/USAG/DIS/DISHOME.HTM#ENRD

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Portouw, saw the need to preserve the barns, which were set to be torn down, Zimmerman said.

These historical buildings are being preserved to enhance the overall history of the post, he said.

Not only will the post benefit historically, but the horses will have great new housing close to the parade field and the veterinarian with plenty of room to live and train.

According to Zimmerman, the horses will finally have a place indoors, out of Arizona's harsh sun and away

from predators, and the mule barns provide the space for nice stalls.

The horses will also be located right next to the post veterinary clinic which makes for speedy medical attention.

"The best part for them [the horses], I suppose, is that it will be a much shorter ride to Brown Parade Field for ceremonies instead of the forty minute ride they now endure," Zimmerman said. "The troopers will benefit too because they'll get to sleep in a little longer."

B-Troop is also free to conduct the

type of training they couldn't at Buffalo Corral, Zimmerman said. For example, because of the non-government horses at the corral, B-Troop couldn't do any sort of firearms training with their horses, for fear of spooking the other horses, he explained.

Zimmerman said B-Troop is planning to make the entire structure a working stable. "B-Troop is a Fort Huachuca icon, but we are only visible when performing at a ceremony or public event," he said. "Once B-Troop occupies the mule barns, we will be visible all the time."

The working stable idea will include the stable where the horses live and another stable redone in 1880s fashion with static displays of facilities and equipment of the era. There will also be an arena to be used both for training and entertaining visitors.

The barns should be renovated and the horses should be relocated within the next two to five years, Zimmerman said

"All in all, the B-Troop horses will see a big improvement in quality of life," he added.

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When a Soldier goes to ACAP for help, which is mandatory, they are given a briefing on what benefits they may be entitled to once they leave the Army.

They are then scheduled for a three-day workshop, run by ACAP, with input from the Department of Labor and the VA.

Soldiers will be taught everything from how to write a

resume to researching the job market and setting up interviews

They can then take advantage of one-on-one counseling sessions to ensure their transition into civilian life is as smooth as possible.

Nolan Cook retired from the military 10 years ago and admits he found the whole process hard.

But a year after leaving the

Army, the 55-year-old Korean War veteran joined ACAP at Fort Huachuca, of which he is the director.

He believes that Soldiers leaving the Army from Fort Huachuca are better placed to find work and future success than many others.

"Most of the Soldiers here are highly trained and there are companies knocking down our doors to employ them," Cook said. "It's the Soldiers who spend their time in combat who have more difficulty when they leave the Army."

Recent legislation brought in by Congress, however, means agencies like ACAP can now offer more help to homeless veterans.

"Because of the changes, homeless veterans who were discharged from the military within the last five years can now come to us for help," he said. "And around two years ago we started working with other local agencies to help veterans. Fortunately, we don't have a local problem with homeless veterans here, but there are some in Tucson and a lot in Phoenix. But things are definitely improving to help Soldiers, with more of a focus on veterans."

Army posts to grow with brigade positioning

BY SGT. LORIE JEWELL

ARMY NEWS SERVICE

A number of Army installations will grow by several thousand Soldiers in the next few years as a result of decisions on where new brigade combat teams (units of action) will be temporarily based, according to senior Army officials.



U.S. Army photo

Permanent locations will be decided during the 2005 Base Realignment and Closure process, the officials said.

"It is an operational necessity right now to build these brigade combat team units of action and get them into the field as quickly as possible," said Brig. Gen. David Ralston, director of force management in the Army's G-3, at a media briefing.

In the thick of fighting the Global War on Terror, the Army is transforming from a division-based force into smaller, more rapidly deployable brigade-based units of action that will provide greater combat power. Plans call for 43 modular brigade combat teams (units of action), or BCT (UA)s, to be in place by fiscal year 2006, up from 34 brigades the Army has now. The National Guard will also transform its current combat force

to 34 modular BCT (UA)s, officials said.

The 3rd Infantry Division at Fort Stewart, Ga., has reset from three brigades into four BCT (UA)s and is preparing to return to Iraq this winter, officials said. The 101st Airborne Division at Fort Campbell, Ky., will begin resetting this fiscal year, as will the 10th Mountain Division at Fort Drum, N.Y. Those changes are expected to add about 1,400 more Soldiers to Fort Stewart; 300 to Hunter Army Airfield in Savannah, Ga.; 400 to Fort Benning, Ga.; 4,200 to Fort Drum; and 3,000 to Fort Campbell.

In fiscal year 2005, the 2nd Cavalry Regiment will convert to a Stryker Brigade Combat Team and move from Fort Polk, La., to Fort Lewis, Wash. That move will add about 3,900 Soldiers to Fort Lewis. New BCT (UA)s will also stand up at Fort Polk, which

will see an overall increase of about 300 Soldiers; Fort Richardson, Alaska, where 2,600 additional Soldiers are anticipated; and Fort Hood, Texas, which will grow by about 5,000 Soldiers.

The Soldiers will be assigned to the new units of action through cross-leveling, permanent change of station moves, and straight out of advanced individual training, or advanced individual training. Some will also be transferred from Korea and other overseas locations, and after completing drill sergeant and recruiting tours. Officials pledged to limit back-to-back combat tours as much as possible.

Once permanently stationed with a new unit of action, the Army will make every effort to allow Soldiers to remain at an installation for up to seven years.

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Fall fashion trends inconsequential at Smith

BY SPC. JOY PARIANTE SCOUT STAFF

As a new school year dawns upon Fort Huachuca Accommodation Schools, parents are mobbing the stores for back to school shopping. Parents of middle schoolers will have a quicker and easier shopping experience considering that students at Smith Middle School wear uniforms.

Smith began requiring students to wear uni-



forms last school year to alleviate peer pressure associated with wearing designer clothes and turn the focus from who's wearing what to hitting the books, said Casey O'Brien, principal, Smith Middle School. The feedback received from parents so far, has been positive, said Diane Chinen, secretary to the superintendent of schools.

The main element of the students' uniforms consists of short or long sleeved collared polo shirts in red, white or navy blue; unadorned trousers, shorts or skirtalls, of a specified fit, in khaki, navy blue or black; leather belts; and closed toe shoes. Sweatshirts without logos in red, white or blue are optional for wear inside the building. Hats and jackets may not be worn or carried in the build-

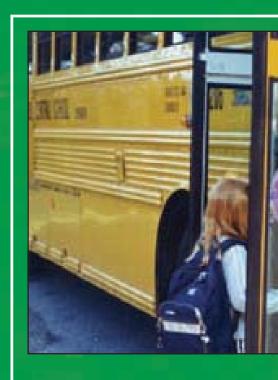
The school physical education uniform consists of black nylon shorts and a red cotton short sleeved top.

New this year to the middle school is "uniform free day," O'Brien said. After an idea brought up at the Teen Army Family Action Plan conference this spring, the school decided to give students who haven't received any uniform violations during the month a Friday to wear their own clothing. The uniform free day is scheduled to be the last Friday of every month.

Uniforms can be purchased in the uniform section of the PX or at a local clothing store, as long as they meet school requirements.

This year, the PX will no longer be carrying skirtalls, O'Brien said. However, students who already have the jumper-like outfit can continue wearing them. The PX will also be carrying skorts, a skirt and shorts combination and more contemporary styled girls trousers.

Other uniform regulations including those for ewelry and personal grooming can be found in regulation JICA-RB, Student Dress (Uniform Guidelines for Col. Smith Middle School) available through the school.



Making the be after school a

BY SPC. SUSAN RED SCOUT STAFF

With the leisurely, do-what-you-feel-lil winding down, kids going back to school wi keep them busy, but all kinds of after school

Students in first through fifth grades of vices mornings from 5:30 to 8 a.m. and after where they can participate in activities co said Jennifer Lotten, director, SAS. Acti ries of sports and fitness, lifeskills and of support services and leisure and recreati spending afternoons at SAS can also parti Girls Club activities.

To enroll a child in SAS, call 533-8437. Children in grades six and higher can Services Center after school in a supervis

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Think safety when going back to school

BY GEORGE FLORA

SAFETY SPECIALIST, GARRISON SAFETY
OFFICE

With notebooks and backpacks on store shelving, it's time to go back to school. Some children love it, some hate it, but either way it is important they not only get the tools they need, but make sure they are as safe as possible.

School related hazards seem to fall generally into two areas: getting to and from the classroom and actual problems that are part of the school experience. The school system does an admirable job of reducing the chances of being hurt at school, yet a

few problems are beyond their control. The following tips are suggested to minimize the likelihood of problems at school.

Make sure the student gets enough sleep the night before classes.

Good nutrition is important. Don't let the student skip breakfast. Make provisions for lunch.

If the student uses a backpack, make sure it "fits" properly. Don't overload it.

Don't let the student bring potentially hazardous items to school.

If the student is going to participate in sports, make sure he or she gets the go ahead from a doctor

first. Also make sure they have suitable clothing, shoes and equipment for the sport.

Establish methods of communication. How can the student reach you if an emergency occurs?

How can you reach the student? Set up a secret code so the student will know it is you and not a stranger calling.

Getting to and from school is the probably the leading cause of concern for parents. There are several potential problems in this area, most of which can be eliminated or substantially reduced by

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spend time at the Youth sed atmosphere, said said

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Sports keep kids fit, happy

BY SPC. SUSAN REDWINE
SCOUT STAFF

If the running around your kids are doing is wearing you out, maybe it's time to try a little strategy and enroll them on a sports team.

Youth soccer for children, 4-13, begins this fall, playing games in conjunction with Sierra Vista and surrounding area teams, said Richard Brown, director of Youth Services. Registration for soccer starts Aug. 17 with practices starting the following week and play beginning in September.

Boys' and girls' cross country starts in the beginning of September at Smith Middle School, said Glusta Williams, principal secretary. Girls' volleyball also begins at Smith early in September, Williams said. Boys' basketball begins in October, and girls' basketball begins in January, she said. Track and baseball are both played in spring.

Another opportunity is the American Youth Football and Cheerleading League, Brown said. Youth Services does not run the program, he said, but knows kids on post want to be involved and tries to help them as much as it can.

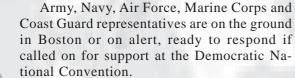
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Convention support provided



Michael Kucharek, U.S. Northern Command and the North American Aerospace Defense Command spokesman, told the American Forces Press Service today that the Defense Department is providing the support at the request of the U.S. Secret Service and will provide a similar level of support for the RepublicanNational Convention in New York next month.



Guardsmen fighting California fires

Air National Guard crews from the 146th Airlift Wing are helping battle wildfires raging on the West Coast.

Crews have been fighting fires in California during July, most recently against the Crown Fire near Santa Clarita. Forty-five ANG people and two specially equipped C-130 Hercules aircraft are involved in the operation.

The C-130s carry a special firefighting sys-

tem that crews use to release liquid fire retardant. So far this year, 54 missions have been flown against three separate fires dropping nearly 130,000 gallons of fire retardant.

At the designated drop zone, the crew releases the orange slurry fire retardant which disperses in a fine mist and coats the foliage below. The slurry can cover an area 1,500 feet long by 100 feet wide.

Buddhist chaplain commissioned

The Navy commissioned the military's first Buddhist chaplain in a ceremony at the Pentagon July 22.

Chief of Navy Reserve, Vice Adm. John G. Cotton commissioned Lt.J.G. Jeanette G. Shin in front of several of her family members and friends, making her the Department of Defense's first Buddhist chaplain.

After taking her oath of service, Shin expressed her gratitude to her peers, and said she looks forward to making a difference in the fleet.

"I am very grateful to have the opportunities to serve the sea services - regardless of their religious faith," said Shin. "I will do my best to help you [Sailors and Marines] in any way I can "

DoD identifies military casualities

The Department of Defense announced this week the death of a Marine and two Soldiers who were supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Lance Cpl. Vincent M. Sullivan, 23, of Chatham, N.J., died Friday due to injuries received from enemy action in Al Anbar Province, Iraq. He was assigned to 1st Battalion, 2nd Marine Regiment, 2nd Marine Division, II Marine Expeditionary Force Camp Lejeune, N.C.

Sgt. Tatjana Reed, 34, of Fort Campbell, K.Y., died July 22 in Samarra, Iraq, when an improvised explosive device detonated near her convoy vehicle. Reed was assigned to the 66th Transportation Company from Kaiserslautern, Germany.

Spc. Nicholas J. Zangara, 21, of Philadelphia, Pa., died Saturday in Tikrit, Iraq, when an improvised explosive device detonated near his convoy vehicle. Zangara was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery Regiment, 1st Infantry Division from Schweinfurt, Germany.

The incidents are under investigation.



Think about how the student going to get to school, walk, bus, private auto or bicycle? Each has advantages and problems. Have a back up plan for those days when the primary method isn't suitable

Make sure that the student is properly clothed for both going to school and actually attending school.

For walkers, be sure the student knows the route to and from school. This

is especially important for younger children. Be sure they know what to do if they get lost. A buddy system is encouraged. Be sure they know what to do if they are late leaving school. Warn students about strangers and some of the tricks they might employ.

If the trip is to be by bicycle, make sure it is properly equipped, the right size , sound and serviceable. A properly fitting bike helmet is a must. If the student rides a bus, make sure he or she knows where it stops and what time it departs. Have a back up plan in case it doesn't come or the student misses the bus. With younger children, make sure they know where to get off the bus at the end of the school day.

Students need to be aware of the blind spots around a bus. There are danger zones on all four sides of the bus. They need to stay at least 10 feet away

from the front and sides of the bus and not be anywhere behind it.

Regardless of the method of transportation, make sure the student know the importance of following rules and obeying all traffic sign and signals.

The most important aspect of school safety above all is to be sure the student knows how to reach you, or someone they can trust, when something doesn't go according to the plan.

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Richard Brown, Youth Services director. The center offers both directed and self-directed activities ranging from informal basketball and volleyball games, foosball, use of the computer lab, video games, homework help and community service activities ranging from informal basketball and volleyball games, foosball, use of the computer lab, video games, homework help and community service activities. Students must have a membership to use the center.

In addition to programs at

SAS and Youth Services, children who want to get involved in after school activities will have ample opportunities at the schools on post.

Students at Smith Middle School can participate in beginning or advanced bands. Also at Smith is the drama club, the knowledge bowl, National Junior Honor Society, student council and yearbook, said Glusta Williams, principal secretary at the middle school.

Myer Elementary School will have after school math, band, choir and an after school homework program, for students who need help completing their assignments.

"When kids are involved after school, they don't get involved in activities they shouldn't be," Lotten said.

Brown also stressed the importance of children having a safe place to go in the after school hours, the time when most mischief occurs for the under-supervised. He also mentioned the importance of children's development of social skills.

"Having friends, people you like and a place to go is important," Brown said.

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In order for children to participate in sports, they will need a sports physical on file for both the middle school teams and the Youth Services teams. Children who want to play in middle school sports need the physical before they play and one physical will last all three years at the school, Williams said.

To make an appointment for a sports physical, children 4 –

12, go to the Pediatric clinic, and 13 and older go to the Family Care Clinic at Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center, said Dr. Rebecca Reyes, pediatrician at the clinic. Children should wear shorts and bring the necessary school forms to the appointment, and shot records if the child is also going to be immunized, Reyes said. For an appointment, call 533-9200.

Obey posted speed limits

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Soldier Show Monday, Tuesday at Buena H.S.

The 2004 U.S. Army Soldier Show is set for 7 p.m., Monday, and 5 and 8 p.m., Tuesday, at Buena Performing Arts Center, Sierra

The 2004 U.S. Army Soldier Show is a high-energy 90-minute live musical review showcasing the talents of active duty Soldiers who are selected by audition from throughout the Army. They are amateur artists who have a passion for music, dance and performing. They come from infantry, artillery,

transportation, military police, medical, intelligence, armor, aviation, signal and other tactical units.

Country, rock, pop, gospel, rhythm and blues, and Latin music are intertwined throughout the 90-minute show, including the works of Rascal Flatts, Prince, ABBA and Outkast.

Tickets for the 2004 Soldier Show are now available at MWR Box Office and Sierra Vista Safeway.

Admission to the show is free, but you must have a ticket. For more information, call 533-2404.



The Soldier Show brings a variety of entertainment to communities around the world. Monday and Tuesday's performances will be at the Buena Performing Arts Center in Sierra Vista.

Pay Day Scramble at MVGC

Mountain View Golf Course will host the next Pay Day Scramble at 12:30 p.m., Friday. For more information, call 533-7088.

Open pottery studio

The MWR Arts Center will offer an open pottery studio 6 - 8 p.m., Tuesday - Thursday, and 10 a.m. - noon, Friday and Saturday, and continue on a weekly basis.

The class will provide the opportunity to gain experience in working with clay, glazes and the firing process. Students will have the opportunity to work with an instructor who has 30 years experience in every aspect of the medium.

Cost of a punch card, which will admit a student for eight hours, is \$29.95. A monthly pass, which admits the student for six hours per week, is \$45. These include 25 pounds of

Register at the MWR Arts Center, located on Arizona Street, across from the Commissary. For more information, call 533-2015.

Hunter education class offered

The Sportsman's Center and the Arizona Game and Fish Department will present a hunter education course 6:15 - 9:30 p.m., Monday, Tuesday, Aug. 5, 10 and 11. Range day will be 8 - 11:30 a.m, Aug. 14. The class will be held at the Sportsman's Center, Garden Canyon Road, Fort Huachuca.

This course is designed to teach safe handling of firearms and ammunition in the home and in the field.

The course is open to all ages, and family participation is encouraged. It is taught by volunteer instructors certified by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Cost is \$5 per participant. This class is required by law for ages 10 - 14 who wish to hunt big game.

For more information, call 533-7085.

Children's summer arts, crafts classes

The MWR Arts Center holds summer arts and crafts classes for children, 5 - 16.

Cost is \$7.50 per class or \$14 for two classes. Pre-regis-

tration is required.

The remainder of the class schedule is as follows: Tuesday, pottery; Wednesday, paint with watercolor; and Aug. 5, computer drawing (Windows).

The MWR Arts Center is located on the corner of Hatfield and Arizona Streets in Building 52008. For more information, call 533-2015.

Scuba class at Barnes Pool

Barnes Indoor Pool will host a scuba diving class starting Aug. 8. Cost of the class is \$150.

For more information, call Dennis Ballard at 803-0308.

Try lunch specials at Jeannie's Diner

Stop in at Jeannie's Diner and check out its lunch specials, Monday - Friday. There's something different every day. A few of the specials coming up in August include salisbury steak, lasagna, open-faced turkey sandwiches, sloppy joes and bratwurst.

A new item featured at Jeannie's Diner is the "Burger of the Month." During August, the special is the Hawaiian Burger. For more information, call 533-5759.

Gallery art sale

During the month of August, MWR Arts Center is holding a 25 percent off sale on art work done by local artists.

This is your opportunity to acquire some unique, original works of art at substantial savings.

The Arts Center is located in the MWR Plaza on Arizona Street, across from the Commissary.

Their hours of operation are: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, noon - 8 p.m. and Friday and Saturday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. For more information, call 533-2015.

Fun Fest vendor applications available

Vendor applications are now available for the 2004 Fun Festival, to be held Sept. 17 - 19 at Veterans Memorial Park, Sierra Vista. The festival is open to the public and an attendance of approximately 5,000 is anticipated.

Applications can be picked up at Barnes Field House,

and must be postmarked before Sept. 7. For more information, call 538-2022.

Rod Stewart tickets on sale

The MWR Box Office has tickets for the following attractions at TCC: Wednesday, Rod Stewart; Aug. 6, Weird Al Yankovic; Aug. 12 and 13, the world-famous Lipizzaner Stallions; and Sept 23 - 26, El Tiradito. These tickets may be purchased 10 a.m. - 4 p.m., only.

Other offers available at the Box Office include:

- Discount tickets for several water parks, including: Waterworld and Breakers in Tucson, Ariz.; Big Surf, Tempe, Ariz.; Sunsplash, Mesa, Ariz.; and Waterworld, Phoenix, Ariz.
- The Tucson Attractions Passport, which includes 46, two-for-one offers and discounts toward many different attractions, museums and shopping, in Tucson and the surrounding area. The book can be purchased for \$15. A few of the attractions included are: Kartchner Caverns State Park, Bisbee Mining and Historical Museum, Tombstone Courthouse, Tubac Presidio State Historic Park, Old Tucson Studios, Tucson Raceway Park, Ramsey Canyon Preserve, Picacho Peak State Park, the Patagonia-Sonoita Creek Preserve, the Pima Air and Space Museum, plus many oth-

The MWR Box Office is located in Building 52008 on Arizona Street, across from the Com-

For more information, call 533-2404 or stop in and see what they have to offer. It's open 9 a.m. -5 p.m., Monday - Friday.



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Movies

Two Brothers plays at 7 p.m. Friday at Cochise Theater. For the complete listing of this week's movies, see Page 17.

MEDDAC gives 305th a dose of loss

Top team remains undefeated

SPC. JOY PARIANTE

SCOUT STAFF

Medical Activity Command defended and maintained its first place position against Company B, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion in heated volleyball action Monday night.

Game one started and ended fairly unimpressively with third seed 305th staying close on the top dog's tail, keeping the score within two points. However, 305th was having a hard time controlling the direction of the ball, forcing teammates such as Jade Wilson to show some serious hustle into the sidelines to keep the ball in play.

Also contributing to keeping 305th in the game was John Anderson, who spent more time on the floor saving the ball than anywhere else on the court.

MEDDAC had its own errors to worry about. Players Matt Ried and Raymond Prime brought far too much power to the front line and

bounds

Prime redeemed himself, however, a few plays later when he sent a spike gliding over the opposition's block followed by another, well aimed spike into 305th's unprotected left center court.

MEDDAC's first chance at game point was aborted by an outof-bounds serve. 305th managed to get the score close again, but a wayward serve on their end left MEDDAC wide open to win by

The 305th's speed and agility were no match for MEDDAC's calm control of the ball and, although the first game was close, the slaughter commenced in game two.

MEDDAC started the round hard, showing why it is number one. Players kept on their game, focused on technique and let 305th make all the mistakes

"We're playing well as a team," said MEDDAC coach Tom Grant. "We also have very knowledgeable volleyball players."

After an exceptionally long first round, 33 minutes worth, MEDDAC decided to make its winning round fast and furious.

MEDDAC was enjoying a 5-1 lead until Ried's spike got trapped

most of their spikes went out of in the net by 305th blockers, giving them control of the ball.

> The volleys went on, with 305th gaining no ground. 305th's Wilson and Anderson played one ball well out of court and almost into the

midst of a basketball game in a desperate attempt to make a dent in MEDDAC's 10-1 lead.

The game went unproductively for 305th who couldn't seem to make its turns to serve last more than one volley.

Despite a valiant effort, 305th lost round two also, 15-3, allowing MEDDAC to enter into their last game this week as the undefeated champions of League 1.



Skills and teamwork lead Medical Activity Command players, such as Brandon Held, to their fifth win on Monday against Company B, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion. MEDDAC is currently number one in League 1.

Mountain View golf course to revamp irrigation

BY SPC. SUSAN REDWINE

SCOUT STAFF

Mountain View Golf Course is a green oasis in the desert, with mountains in the distance, a scene so picturesque it's a wonder people don't just go to the course to enjoy the view. The golf course is on its way up in the world – the grass is a little greener, the holes tidied up and, in September, a new irrigation system will be on its way.

The system is going to be upgraded for two reasons, first because the current system is antiquated and was installed about 30 years ago, and because the system doesn't provide the proper coverage, said Dan Valle, director, Directorate of Morale, Welfare and Recreation

"The watering we are doing is not effective to keep greens and fairways watered," Valle said.

"The system is so poor that we have daily breaks," said Don Toole, golf facilities manager and director of golf at Mountain View Golf Course. "There are cases where pipes would break and we lose water. Sometimes sprinkler heads run all night before getting caught and we have water where it's not needed."

Toole also mentioned that many of the sprinkler heads turn too fast, often causing the water to catch in the wind and be carried downrange, leading to misap-

Valle said the system's needed upgrading for several years, but was always put on the back burner in the face of other projects. The irrigation project is currently in the request for quotes phase, and the contract is expected to be awarded in the second week of September, with construction beginning on Sept. 24, according to Valle. Construction should last 180 days, ending March 24.

The new system will be automated so that the groundskeepers will have better control over the watering patterns. It will also include fewer sprinkler heads, therefore using less water. Water usage is expected to drop from approximately 370 acre feet per year to 245,

"That's pretty significant savings," Valle said.

The sprinkler heads will be placed primarily around the greens, tees and landing zones, leaving the areas immediately in front of the tees without water.

We're not going to put sprinkler heads 50 to 75 yards out in front of the tee boxes," Toole said. "There's no sense in putting grass out and maintaining it if it's not going to get any play."

The golf course uses effluent water for all its needs. Toole said it's important that the course conserves water and not put it where it's not necessary so that the post doesn't run out of water.

With the improvements to the course, both Toole and Valle said they hope to be able to draw Allarmy tournaments to the course.

"It's a good thing for Fort Huachuca," Valle said. "We've been looking forward to doing this for many, many years. We're going to see tremendous improvements. It's win-win for everybody."

'Our goal and our mission is to get active duty Soldiers and their families to come out and play and enjoy the facilities, whether they golf or not," Toole said.

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The first event of the Steelhead Triathlon was the 800-yard swim 6 a.m. Sunday at Irwin pool.

Triathletes test met

BY SPC. SUSAN REDWINE SCOUT STAFF

oldiers need to keep in shape so they can pass their physical fitness test. For many, that is a sufficient challenge, but for some, it's not enough. For people looking to challenge themselves, a triathlon is just the thing, offering a combination of swimming, cycling and running to



Bergan Hendrickson of Sierra Vista was one of more than 50 individual participants in Sunday's triathlon on post.

prove their physical abilities higher than most.

More than 52 individuals and seven teams got up at the crack of dawn just to test themselves at the Steelhead Triathlon Sunday, starting with an 800yard swim at Irwin Pool. Following the swim was a 13-mile bike ride and a 3.1mile run.

The top female competitor in Sunday's race was Tatiana Harper, who finished with a time of 1 hour, 18 minutes, 50 seconds, and the top male was Billy Oliver, finishing at 1:09.47.

Some participants are avid triathletes and take part in as many local events as possible as part of their training. One such athlete is Joe Pintor, from Tucson, who woke up before 3 a.m. Sunday to drive to Fort Huachuca for the race. Pintor said he does triathlons to stay fit as well as for the camaraderie with other triathletes.

"Variety is a lot more fun," Pintor said. "You can set goals to do a race to motivate yourself.

"The running is always the hardest. You might be a good runner, but it's still the hardest part.'

Claudia Cross, of the National Guard in Douglas, completed the Steelhead as her fifth triathlon this year as part of her train-up for the half Ironman triathlon in Phoenix. This is the third time Cross, who was pleased with her performance after having a baby, has participated in the Steelhead



early and be disciplined," she said. "It's hard, but it's rewarding at the end. It's very rewarding."

Cross cited the bike portion of the race as the hardest, and said it was a challenging course.

"More people should try it, it's fun," she said. "Once you start training for it and try it, you're hooked."

Christy Nixon, 2/84th Military Intelligence Battalion, said this was the second triathlon she's ever participated in, the last one being the Steelhead 10 years ago.

"It was great," Nixon said. "I'm in better shape now. It was fun, actually."

She said having other people in her unit participate in the race helped make the experience more enjoyable.

"It's the thing to do on a Sunday morning," she said.

Although the idea of competing in such a grueling race might be daunting to some, the only way to find out if you can do it, is to try.

"Don't be afraid to try," Pintor said. "It's not as difficult as it looks. Finishing is a great feeling.



Guy Wetzel of Sierra Vista started in the second hear of the swim event.



The 13-mile bike race took participants from Irwin pool, past Libby Army Airfield, to Smith and Whitside roads and back.

Nunn earns Olympic berth in race walking

BY TIM HIPPS

ARMY NEWS SERVICE

John Nunn earned an Olympic berth July 17 with a second-place finish in the 20-kilometer race walk in the 2004 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Team Trials at Sacramento State University.

Nunn, a member of the U.S. Army World Class Athlete Program stationed at Fort Carson, Colo., completed the early-morning trek in 1 hour, 26 minutes and 23 seconds.

Kevin Eastler, U.S. Air Force, a missile combat crew commander stationed at F.E. Warren Air Force Base in Cheyenne, Wyo., also made Team USA for the Athens Games by finishing third in 1:28.49.

New York Athletic Club's Tim Seaman, a three-time national champion and U.S. record-holder in the event, won the race in 1:25:40.

Around the 11-kilometer mark, Nunn pulled away from fourthplace finisher Curt Clausen of NYAC.

"I sensed when Curt fell off of me that if I could just hold this pace, there was a good chance that I could finish in the top three," said Nunn, who later passed Eastler. "When I went by Kevin, he said: I just don't have it today. It's just not working.' At that point, I said to myself, I've got it.'

"It doesn't actually hit you until you've finished the race," Nunn said of earning a trip to Athens. "I was getting a little excited with less than two kilometers to go, and with one kilometer left, my arms started to

cramp up. I just tried to relax."

Nunn said he tried everything in his power to catch Seaman. When he realized the leader was out of reach, Nunn's thoughts turned to his family waiting at the finish line. His father, Les, a retired Air Force captain, and mother, Jeanie, were there, along with his wife, Leah, and their 5-month-old daughter, Ella.

"I definitely couldn't have done this without my wife," said Nunn, 26, of Evansville, Ind. "She's my biggest supporter, and she's made a lot of sacrifices over the last four years. She's been the ultimate team player."

Nunn also applauded his extended family in the Army World Class Athlete Program.

"WCAP has bent over backwards with giving me the opportunity to chase my dream and to help make it a reality," he said. "I can't thank them enough."

Nunn said representing the Army will make the trip to Greece extra meaningful.

"It gives me a bigger sense of pride than just representing the country," he said. "I went to sergeant's school and met guys who had either come back from Iraq or were going over to Iraq. That kind of put some things in real perspective about the opportunity that I've been given within the Army, and that I am obviously still a Soldier first and at any point in time could go when called."

Nunn also senses a need to represent race walkers, a misunderstood group of athletes who use different sets of muscle groups than runners, with one foot always touching the ground.

"It's an oxymoron," explained Nunn, who never has drawn more than one red flag in a race. "You're trying to keep one foot on the ground at all times and landing the foot with a straight leg. With running, you're working your quads and calves by pushing and pumping. With walking, it's all reverse, it's your hamstrings and shins.

"All the while, you're trying to walk as fast as you can, getting down well under seven minutes a mile. It takes a long time to get used to it."

Nunn began race walking as a youngster with his family but said he "despised" the sport. After playing basketball his freshman year of high school in Indiana, he began running on the track. He eventually rediscovered race walking and earned a scholarship to the University of Wisconsin-Parkside.

Nunn's appreciation for race walking skyrocketed when he began beating runners on a regular basis.

"Some of the road runners get upset and some of them realize it's really not a joke," he said.

With a straight face, Nunn predicted that he'll need outside help to reach the Olympic podium Aug. 20 when he competes against the world's best.

"I think it would have to be on my best day and everyone else's worst day," he said. "It's going to be extremely tough with my personalbest of 1:22:31; the top person in



Photo by Tim Hipps

John Nunn reacts to earning an Olympic berth with a secondplace finish in the 20-K race walk in the 2004 U.S. Olympic Track and Field Trials at Sacramento State University.

the world is walking 1:17, so they are going well under four-minute [per kilometer] pace. I'm just hoping that I'm well in the middle of the group."

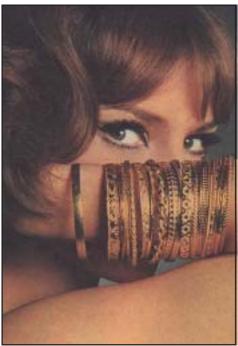
Nunn trains with Seaman and Clausen at the U.S. Olympic Train-

ing Center in Chula Vista, Calif.

"John's a great competitor," Seaman said. "He's a tremendous athlete and he has tremendous potential. You can never count out John."

"He will represent us very well in Athens," Clausen concluded.

Palm Beach jewelry fashion collection now available in print



Courtesy photo

AAFES RELEASE

Color is "in" this summer. And what's more colorful than the sparkle of jewelry? Whether you're on vacation, lounging by the pool or staying cool indoors, you can transform your wardrobe and update your collection with the new Palm Beach Jewelry Exchange Catalog.

Brimming with 36 pages of gold, silver, diamonds, birthstones, jade and pearls, the summer 2004 Palm Beach catalog has treasures in every style and color you can imagine. Discover the allure of this season's collection as you choose from hundreds of elegant new looks and traditional favorites. The exclusive Palm Beach Jewelry Fashion Collection delivers a wide array of latest fashions at incredible savings to military customers.

The Palm Beach Jewelry Exchange Catalog is available, for free, at all AAFES main stores and online at www.aafes.com.

Prices in this all-services catalog are valid through Aug. 31, and anyone with Exchange privileges can order from it. Active duty military members of the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard, as well as military retirees, reservists, National Guardsmen, Department of Defense civilians stationed overseas, Exchange employees and their family members are authorized to shop.

Orders can be placed by mail, fax or phone. To place orders toll free from the United States, Puerto Rico or Guam just call (800)-527-2345. The Exchange Catalog center is open around-the-clock, seven days a week and complimentary international access calling is available from several countries.

Authorized customers can also shop the 2004 Palm Beach Jewelry catalog on the Internet at <u>aafes.com</u>, <u>usmc-mccs.org</u>, <u>navy-nex.com</u> and or <u>cg-exchange.com</u>. Active duty military members of the Army, Air Force, Navy, Marines and Coast Guard, as well as military retirees, reservists, National Guardsmen, Department of Defense civilians stationed overseas, Exchange employees and their family members are authorized to shop. Anyone with Exchange privileges can shop the Palm Beach catalog.

Earnings generated by purchases in the Exchange and Exchange Online Store as well as Exchange Catalogs such as the Palm Beach Jewelry Fashion Collection are returned to the military community in the form of funding for Morale, Welfare and Recreation facilities and programs.

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Greyhound adoption

The Sierra Vista Greyhound Adoption League will host a Greyhound Adoption Day from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday at Ramsey Canyon Feed and Pet Store, 4107 E. Glenn Rd., Sierra Vista. Retirement is not an end, but a beginning to a new and different way of life. The dogs available are ex-racers, recently retired from the track and the Greyhound Adoption League is dedicated to their rescue and placement.

This program is also in need of temporary homes for these beautiful dogs. For more information, call 378-

Art show

The Huachuca Art Association, Inc. is sponsoring the exhibition, "Pastel Persuasion," through Sunday. The Gallery is open Thursdays through Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. Or for an appointment outside these days/hours, call E. Manion at 803-1262. The Gallery is located at 3816 Astro St. in Hereford (Astro St. is off Hwy. 92, less than four miles south of Buffalo Soldier Trail). For information, call Jim Coleman at 803-0727.

Vacation Bible School starts

The Main Post Chapel will host this summer's Vacation Bible School, 8:30 a.m.-noon, Monday-Aug.6 for children who have just finished kindergarten through those who have just finished fifth grade. VBS volunteers with preschoolers may bring them for a special preschool VBS. Pre-register for VBS 9:30 a.m.-noon, Saturdays at the Main Post Exchange or during duty hours weekdays at the Main Post Chapel. For more information, call Dan DeVeny at 533-4598.

Gospel revival

There will be a revival beginning at 7 p.m. Wednesday-Aug. 6 at the Kino Gospel Service. Pastor Felix Gilbert, senior pastor of Restoration Christian Fellowship, Denver, will be the guest speaker and teacher. The revival theme is: Come! Let the Lord shake up your world. Featured guests include the Restoration Worship Ensemble in concert at 6:30 p.m., Aug. 7. The revival concludes with the morning worship service at 9:20 a.m.,

Aug. 8. For more information, call Chaplain (Lt. Col.) James Stephen at 533-4711. The Kino Chapel, Building 51201, is located at the corner of Tyndall and Kino Av-

Birding, nature festival

The 2004 Southwest Wings Birding and Nature Festival is set for Wednesday - Aug. 8 at the Copper Queen Convention Center in Bisbee. There will be vendors and exhibits. Vendors who would like to set up a table can do so at a nominal fee. For more information, call 803-7412.

Bowling conference

The USA Bowling Coaching Program will hold a Bronze level coaching certification conference Aug. 6-8 at Karen Pullman's Pro Shop and Bowling Center, 7990 S. 1300 E. in Sandy, Utah.

To register for this conference, download a registration form from USABowlingCoaching.com or call USA Bowling Coaching at (800) 514-BOWL, ext. 3206 or

Little league

The Sierra Vista Little League fall baseball registrations have started. You can register online at www.eteamz.com/sierravistalittleleague or at Big 5 beginning at 10 a.m., Aug. 7. The age groups will be based on your league age for next season, that is the child's age as of July 31, 2005. Children from Sierra Vista, Fort Huachuca, Tombstone, Huachuca City, Bisbee, Hereford, Palominas, Sonita and other surrounding communities are eligible to play. For more information, call e-mail Scott Delibac sierravistalittleleague@yahoo.com or at 458-1186.

Wildlife photography

Marty Cordano will share his experiences of photographing Arizona's wildlife at 1:30 p.m., Aug. 8 at the Carr House Visitor Center.

Cordano, contract photographer for Arizona Highways, will show a slide presentation of his work. The Carr House is located approximately seven miles south of Sierra Vista. Travel Highway 92 and turn right (west) on Carr Canyon Road. Continue on for approximately 2.4 miles. The pavement ends at the forest boundary but the dirt road is suitable for passenger vehicles. Turn left where the road forks to enter the parking lot area. Carr House hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The visitor center is open Saturdays and Sundays through Oct. 3. Every second and fourth Sunday at 1:30 p.m., Carr House features nature-related programs that are open to the public and offered at no cost.

Mount Graham field trip

The City of Sierra Vista Parks and Leisure Services invites the public to its Mount Graham Geology-Ecology field trip Aug. 21. Participants will depart from the Ethel Berger Center at 7 a.m. and travel to the Pinaleno Mountains and return to the center at 7 p.m. This trip examines the concept of sky islands in Arizona, how the mountain range evolved, the ecology of the Mount Graham Red Squirrel and the recovery of old growth forests after wildfires. Cost of the trip is \$28 per person. Pre-registration is required by Aug. 13. For more information, call 458-7922 or log onto www.ci.sierra-vista.az.us.

Senior women's softball

The Hot Flashes, a senior women's softball team from Sierra Vista/Bisbee, is recruiting players that are at least 47-years-old. This team travels to women's senior softball tournaments in Arizona and bordering states. For more information, call Cheryl Linendoll at

B Troop seeks volunteers

Fort Huachuca's B Troop, 4th U.S. Cavalry Regiment (Memorial) is looking for volunteers. B Troop participates in various parades and ceremonies both on post and nationally. They've been to the Orange Bowl Parade in Miami and Helldorado Days in Tombstone. Riding experience is not necessary and new troopers and ladies auxiliary hopefuls go through a ground and riding school prior to participation with the troop. For more information, call Juan Villarreal at 378-2367.

Showing at the Cochise Theater for the next week are:

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Today -7 p.m.

The Terminal

Friday -7 p.m.

Two Brothers

Saturday -7 p.m.

Dodgeball: A True Underdog Story

Sunday -2 p.m.

Two Brothers

Monday - Wednesday

closed

Closed Monday through Wednesday. Reduced prices on Thursday evening and Sunday matinees.

Pets O'The Week



"Bruno" is a 10-month-old large mixed-breed puppy.



"Missy" is a 10-month-old shorthaired calico cat.

These animals and more are available for adoption from the Fort Huachuca Veterinary Treatment Facility. For more information, call 533-2767 or visit forthuachucapetfinder.com. In accordance with Army regulation stray animals are kept for three working days to find an owner. After three days, they are either placed up for adoption or humanely euthanized. Strays are available for adoption for 30 days until they are euthanized.

Watch CAC

Tune in to the Commander's Access Channel (Channel 97) for up-to-date community news, the latest in service news and information from Fort Huachuca and around the military.

The Fort Report airs at 6 and 10 p.m. weekdays with video highlights of local events. Other programming includes Army Newswatch at 6:30 and 10:30 p.m., Air Force News at 7 and 11 p.m. and Navy/Marine Corps News at 7:30 and 11:30 p.m.

The CAC is experiencing technical difficulties and will have limited programming options.

The lineup for the Commander's Fort Report includes: 504th Signal Brigade change of command, quartely volunteer awards and Steelhead Triathlon.

To get your message on the Commander's Access Channel, e-mail channel97@hua.army.mil.

Commander's Cup standings



Volleyball

Team	Win	Loss
League 1		
MEDDAC	5	0
HHC 111th MI	3	1
Co. B 305th MI	3	2
JITC	2	3
NCOA	2	4
Border patrol	1	0
TIC	1	4
Co. C 304th MI	1	4
League 2		
USMC/USN	6	0
HHC USAG	4	1
Co. C 86th Sig.	3	2
Co. E 309th MI	3	2
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Co. A 305th MI Co. C 305th M

<u>Unit</u>	Matches played	Point
JITC #1	12	92
ISEC	12	71
MEDDAC	12	70
JITC #3	12	69
111th MI #1	10	66
A Co., 306th MI	11	64
USAG	12	62
IEW Maint.	11	56
JITC #2	11	51
NETCOM	11	46
USMC/USN	11	37
B Co., 305th MI	10	32
19th Signal Co.	11	11

Commander's Cup volleyball schedule

6pm	NCOA	VS.	HHC 111th MI
7pm	Co. C 304th	VS.	Co. B 305th
8pm	Border patrol	VS.	TIC
<u>Tuesday</u>			
6pm	MEDDAC	VS.	Border patrol
7pm	ASC	VS.	Co. C 305th MI
8pm	HHC USAG	VS.	Co. A 306th MI
Wednesda	ay		
6pm	Co. C 86th Sig.	VS.	Co. A 306th MI
7pm	HHC 111th MI	VS.	Border patrol
8pm	Border patrol	VS.	JITC
Aug. 5			
6pm	ASC	VS.	Co. A 305th MI
7pm	Co. A 305th MI	VS.	Co. C 305th MI
8pm	Co. E 309th MI	VS.	ASC



Army Band scores hit CD

BY COURTNEY HICKSON

ARMY NEWS SERVICE

The U.S. Army Band (Pershing's Own) has a chart-topping CD; "Hero for Today" has reached number nine on the Billboard Top Classical Albums.

For the week of July 8 the CD by the Army Band and Chorus was ranked number nine, but this is not the first time this CD has been on the charts. When it debuted Hero for Today came onto the charts at number 15 the week of June 26. There have been 7,500 CDs sold so far according to David A. Sellers director of marketing at Altissimo! Records.

Hero for Today is a joint effort between Altissimo! Records and the Army Historical Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the history and heritage of the American Soldier

A part of the proceeds from Hero for Today will be donated to the Army Historical Foundation.

Director of Marketing for the Army Historical Foundation David Lewis said the foundation began talks with the Army Band Alumni Association to look at a way to bring Army Band music to the market. The Army Historical Foundation licensed its name and logo to Altissimo! Records and will receive a part of the royalties. The money will go to building the National Museum of the United States Army.

Lewis said this project is a "win-win" situation for all parties involved. He said it allows for the foundation to get its name and purpose out to the public. He also said in order for the museum to be built, the foundation needs to raise more then \$200 million the Army has already budgeted for \$90 million in addition to land and infrastructure support. The museum is on schedule to be completed in 2009, according to Lewis.

The CD has a mix of patriot songs including: Heroic Fanfare, Hymn To The Fallen (From Saving Private Ryan), A Hero For Today, Battle Hymn Of The Republic, America The Beautiful, God Bless The U.S.A., Here's To America, The Last Full Measure Of Devotion, We Were There, This Is My Country, Ragged Old Flag, The Flag Still Flies High, God Bless America, The Armed Service Medley, The Stars And Stripes Forever and the song Duty, Honor, Country

Altissimo! Records also had A Patriotic Salute to the Military Family on the Billboard's Classical Charts. It is a combination of songs from all of the armed services.

The music the Army band produces is available for anyone to release because it is public property. The president and CEO of Altissimo! Records, Al McCree, who is retired from the Air Force, has a relationship with all of the armed forces

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The Army & Air Force Exchange Service saves customers money by offering low prices everyday. A national independent market basket survey of AAFES prices compared to comparable retailers reveals that AAFES prices are on average 21.89 percent lower than the competition. This savings is before any additional savings from the tax-free advantage of shopping AAFES. Check out the survey results at www.aafes.com.

The survey, conducted in January by Comparative Prices International, sampled everyday prices of 150 items at AAFES facilities and competitors located near military installations in six military communities. Communities surveyed included Fort Meade, Md.; Fort Walton Beach, Florida; Fort Hood, Texas; Fort Lewis, Wash.; Offutt AFB, Neb.; and Luke AFB, Ariz. Retail Policy Specialist, Ralph Byerly, explains, "We compared our prices to the most popular retailers where our customers also shop."

All major retail departments were represented in AAFES' Market Basket Survey. The survey was designed to focus on the most popular items sold in AAFES facilities.

"It's not only important to offer the lowest price, but also the best product," said Sales Directorate Vice President, Dale Linebarger. Prices surveyed were for national name brand items. AAFES private labels save customers even more over national brands.

AAFES provides quality merchandise at uniformly low prices to active duty military, Guard and Reserve members, military retirees and family members, regardless of where they're stationed. AAFES Commander, Maj. Gen. Kathryn Frost said she is especially proud of the survey's results because these low prices are not just found in continental United States, but at AAFES facilities throughout the world, including Tactical Field Exchanges in Operations Iraqi and Enduring Freedom.

"This survey confirms that not only does AAFES 'Go Where You Go,' but our prices stay the same."



Photo by Journalist 1st Class Joseph Kryne

Lt. Col. Lonzel Lakey, of Atlanta, Ga., passes a \$5 bill to James Kemp, a civilian Department of Defense employee from Albuquerque N.M., to pay for his purchase and become the first customer at the Camp Patriot Army Air Force Exchange Service facility. One of nearly 3,000 U.S. service members at Camp Patriot, Lakey said he enjoyed the long-awaited grand opening.